TRAVEL, ALLOWANCES, AND RELATED EXPENSES

SECTION 5(a). Under such regulations as the Director may prescribe, the Agency, with respect to its officers and employees assigned outside the continental United States, may utilize the following authorities, provided that any regulations issued by the Director shall be compatible with and to the extent practicable similar to regulations issued by the agency having regulatory authority under the basic statute cited:

- (1) granting allowances to officers and employees assigned outside the continental United States, its Territories and possessions, in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 901 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended, or as it may hereafter be amended;
- (2) payment of travel, transportation, and storage expenses in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 911 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended, or as it may be reafter be amended, including expenses incurred while traveling pursuant to orders issued by the Director in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 5(a)(3):
- dependents, upon completion of two years' continuous service outside the continental United States or as soon thereafter as possible, from posts of assignment outside the continental United States to the places of their actual residence at the time of appointment or transfer to such posts, for purposes of taking leave prior to serving another tour of duty in the same or some other post outside the continental United States; and the time actually and necessarily occupied in going to and

from the place of residence named in the order covering travel, and such time as may be necessarily occupied in awaiting transportation. shall not be chargeable to leave;

- (4) transportation of automobiles for or on behalf of employees assigned to posts outside the continental United States, its Territories and possessions, in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 913 of the Foreign Service Act as amended or as it may hereafter be amended;
- (5) charge expenses in connection with travel of personnel, their dependents, and transportation of their household goods, personal effects, and automobiles to the appropriation for the fiscal year current when any part of either the travel or transportation begins pursuant to previously issued travel orders, notwithstanding the fact that such travel or transportation may not all be effected during such fiscal year, or the travel orders may have been issued during the prior fiscal year.
- (6) loan of household equipment to employees stationed outside the continental United States, its Territories and possessions, in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 912 of the Foreign Service Act as amended or as it may be reafter be amended;
- (7) the provisions of Sec. 203(f) of the Act of October 30, 1951, as amended (65 Stat. 679, 5 U.S.C. 2061), and as it may hereafter be amended, shall be applicable to officers and employees of the Agency, and such officers and employees shall be subject to the limitations as to the accumulation of leave applicable to officers and employees in the Foreign Service of the United States under the Department of State

as provided in Sections 203(c) and (d) of the Act of October 30, 1951, as amended (65 Stat. 679, 5 U.S.C. 2061), and as it may hereafter be amended:

- (8) payment of medical care and hospitalization expenses in accordance with the provisions of Sections 941, 942, and 943 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended or as it may hereafter be amended;
- (9) pay the costs of travel of new appointees and their dependents, and the transportation of their household goods and personal effects, from places of actual residence in foreign countries at time of appointment to places of employment and return to their actual residences at the time of appointment or a point not more distant: Provided, That such appointees agree in writing to remain with the United States Government for a period of not less than twelve months from the time of appointment. Violation of such agreement for personal convenience of an employee or because of separation for misconduct will bar much return payments and, if determined by the Director or his designee to be in the best interests of the United States, any money expended by the United States on account of such travel and transportation shall be considered as a debt due by the individual concerned to the United States.
- 5 (b) In administering the authorities provided under Section
 5(a) of this Act, the Director may designate individual employees or
 groups of employees who are foreign nationals and who, by reason of employment by the Agency in certain specified positions outside the continental United States, shall be granted any or all of the benefits and

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privileges covered under Sec. 5(a) without regard to the provisions of any other laws which restrict the payment or granting of such benefits and privileges to employees of the United States Government who are citizens of the United States.